

No. 5865	號五十六百八千五第	日四念月七年子丙緒光	HONGKONG, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11th, 1876.	一拜禮	號一十月九英	港香	PRICE \$2. PER MONTH.
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WATOW, AMOY, AND FOOCROW.
Steamship

"DOUGLAS."
in Baratie, will be despatched for the
Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 13th inst.,
Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAURIE & Co.
Hongkong, 11th September, 1878.
SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND
MALACCA.

Steamship

"ARATATON APOAR,"
in MacTutu, will leave for the above
on MONDAY NEXT, the 15th instant,
at 12 noon.
Cargoes will close at 3.30 p.m.
Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID RASBORN, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, 11th September, 1878.

FOR NEW YORK.
SPECIAL American Ship
"FOOGLY,"
at MacTutu, will load here for the above
and will have quit at despatch.
Freight, apply to
VOIGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, 11th September, 1878.

EASTERN EXPANSION, AU-
STRALIA, AND CHINA TELEGRAPH
COMPANY, LIMITED.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

TELEGRAMS FOR INDIA, EUROPE,
AND AMERICA.

REGARDING the interruption of the Madras
cable, two Steamers, the "PATRIC" and
"HARRINGTON," will be kept running
between Penang and Rangoon to carry Tele-
grams.

"SUKHATADORS" will leave Penang at
10 a.m. TO-DAY (Monday), and it re-
quests Telegrams for her be handed in
RANGOON as EARLY as POSSIBLE.

Passage takes but three days, so that
as she should reach Rangoon in four days, as
soon as and in from Rangoon immediately
return.

"PATRIC" is hourly expected at Penang
from Rangoon, and will pro-
ceed on for Rangoon on WEDNES-
DAY the 13th instant.

J. ENSTON SQUIER,
Acting General Manager.
Hongkong, 11th Sept m b 1878.

THE GOVERNMENT SECURITY
LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY,
LIMITED.

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Hongkong, 8th September. 1876.

KONG, CANTON, AND MAO
AMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

ST-CLASS FARE per Steamer "KIN-
HAN" to or from Canton has been
ONE DOLLAR

...and the ...

HONGKONG, 7th September, 1876.
**INA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
 LIMITED.**
 M this date the SALOON FARE per
 steamer "JOITANG" from Hongkong to
 will be ONE DOLLAR.
 BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
 Agents,
 436, Hongkong, 7th September, 1876.
 NOTICE.
 I RECEIVED, A FRESH SUPPLY OF
 "JOKES" EXCHANGE TABLETS,
 PRICE 3d.
 LANE & CO. WAREHOUSE & CO.
 Hongkong 31st September, 1873.
STOUT, D.D.S. & CO. PATENT
NO. 1, ALEXANDER MERRICK
ST. JAMES'S, DUBLIN.
 HONGKONG 17th August, 1876.
S. P. IN T. O.
 Organist of the Roman Catholic Cath-
 edral to announce that he gives instruction

erly tuned. Music
d. Balls and Penci

ices, care of Kuluin Mission House,
near Surret; or J. M. GREENE, Jun., Esq.,
Deer, Queen's Road, [at 1102]

Notices to Consignes.

MEMORANDUM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

Steamship *Gleanartney* having arrived,
consignees of Cargo are hereby informed
that their Goods are being landed at their risk
by the Undersigned at their Goods
whenever from the Wind or Route
may be obtained.

Consignment Cargo will be forwarded to Shang-
hai notice to the contrary is given by
the 8th instant.

Goods remaining unredivered after the 16th
will be sold by public vendue.

Insurance has been effected

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
S. N. COMPANY'S STRAIGHT
GEELONG.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named
Steamers from Bombay and Intermediate
Ports in connection with the *Bankers* and
from London, are hereby informed that
the mode being landed and stored at their
respective Company's Godowns at West Point,
the delivery can be obtained from this date.
Cargo not delivered by the 15th instant will
be sent to Rent.

A. McIVER, Superintendant,
Hongkong, 8th September 1876.

ALAN SEAMSHIP COMPANY.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer
Antarctica are hereby notified that the
Landing-discharge will be to raft, landed
and the Godown of the Undersigned; in both
cases the Consignees risk; (the Cargo
not delivered for delivery to the Godown on and
4th September, 1876.

Cargo undelivered after the 11th September
will be sent to Rent.

W. H. B. SWIRE, Agents,
Hongkong, 4th September, 1876.

**COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.**

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are
notified to send in their Bills of Lading
and to be underminded for counter-signing and
immediate delivery; this Cargo has been
stored at their risk and expense,
and no insurance has been effected.

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Diamond..... 1 case Guns.
Diamond 4 10.... 2 cases Merchandise:
Kong 8th September 1976

Post-Office Notifications.

Per Saigon. — *Per Pando,* today, the 11th instant, at 11.30 A.M.
For Singapore, Queensland, Sydney, Adelaide, Melbourne, — *Per Boco*, to-day, the 11th instant, at 11.30 o'clock Contract Packet Rates.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES' PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet *ALASKA* will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 18th instant, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, the United States, which will be CLOSED as follows:

2 P.M., Registry of Letters ceases.
3.30 P.M. Post Office closes.

2.30 P.M. Letters may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 12 cents extra Postage, until 2.30 P.M. when the Mail is finally closed.
Correspondence sent by Registered Post by this route, and if not fully prepaid will be sent by British Packet.

Letters do, can be posted for Canada, the West Indies, and other Atlantic ports, but American Stamps are added to postage from San Francisco to destination. American Stamps are sold at this Office.

The charge for Registry is 8 cents in Hong Kong, Singapore, and Siam only. U.S. Stamps to those places only the names of which are printed in Italics. To all the other places names correspondence cannot be registered, though they may be sent by Registered Post, provided the following are the charges on correspondence thus sent:—

PER HALF OUNCE
Hongkong 3
Singapore 3
Siam 3
Canada, British Columbia, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, Vancouver's Island, Bahamas, Nassau, New Providence 3
Antigua, Bermuda, Boicot, Carthagena, Costa Rica, Cuba, Grenada, Guadeloupe, Jamaica, New Granada, Nicaragua, Panama, West India, Hawaii, New Zealand 6
Guantanamo 6
Yanaguay 8
Belize, Greytown, Guisano, Honduras, Martinique, Santa Marta, Turin's Island 8
Bolivia, Ecuador, Chili, Peru, Argentine Confederation, Buenos Ayres, Paraguay 8
Nassau (over 4 oz.) 2
Books, &c., per 5 oz. 6
Any articles found enclosed in Newspapers or Book Packages (as silk scarves, jewellery, &c.) will be retained.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET "MELKON".

The French Contract Packet *MELKON* will sail on SATURDAY, the 19th instant, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, off Marseilles; to Saigon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Pondicherry, Calcutta, Bombay, Aden, Suez, and Alexandria.

Letters may also be forwarded to India by this Packet, but can be paid only on a day after its departure. The postage to Ceylon may be prepaid, and to India it may be paid *Ad valorem*; they will go on from Galle as usual.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails:—

FRIDAY, 15th instant,
5 P.M., Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes except the Night Boat, which remains open all night.

SATURDAY, 16th instant,
11 A.M., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.
11 A.M., Registry of Letters ceases.
10 A.M., Post Office closes except for Letters.

11.10 A.M., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom or to Saigon may be posted on payment of the ordinary Fee of six cents extra postage until 11.30 A.M., when the Post Office CLOSES entirely.

To provide means of remitting small sums of money to or from this Colony and between the Ports of China and Japan, the Postmaster and Agents of the Colonies have purchased certain amounts of Hongkong and Shanghai Postage Stamps not required to purchase Hongkong Postage Stamps from foreign residents.

Between Hongkong and Shanghai, or Hongkong and Yokohama, however, in either direction money may be remitted by the use of the stamps.

The Stamps tendered for sale must not exceed 225 in value, must be perfectly clean, in good condition, and in strips of at least two, and must be presented personally or accompanied by a note.

The Postmaster or Agent may postpone purchasing if his public funds are tight and no cash is available, or if he has reason to suspect any case which appears doubtful or suspicious. He is allowed to charge a Commission of one per cent. on all Stamps purchased.

Letters containing such stamps should be registered, and the Stamps should be secured from observation.

Most countries to which Hongkong forwards Consular Correspondence having joined the General Postal Union or being probably about to do so, it is necessary that the following rules be strictly observed.

1. The contents of the Packet, whether to be registered or unregistered, can be received for Postage if it contains gold or silver money, jewels, precious articles, or anything, as a general rule, is liable to Customs duty, and presents a risk of seizure or prohibition of the sending.

2. Patterns of dutiable articles, unless the quantity sent be so small as to make the sample of no value.

3. The limits of weight allowed are as follows:

BOOKS AND PAPERS.—To British Offices, Half-Pound.
PATTERNS.—Lib. without intrinsic value, and **BOOKS AND PAPERS.—To the Continent, &c., 2lb.**

PATENTS.—8 oz.

4. The following articles cannot be sent by Post at all—*Glasses, Liquids, Gunpowder, Dynamite, Explosives, Soap, Indigo, Dyestuffs, whatever is dangerous to the Mails or offensive or injurious to persons dealing with them.*

PARCELS.

The public is reminded that in China and Japan there is nothing as Parcel Post. Merchandise and disappointment is caused by persistent attempts to send it. Its valuable traffic through the Post, Air, Curios, Articles of Dress, Jewellery, &c., is now prevented, and continuity being refused, the sender having often spent more in Postage than would have been paid freight by steamer. No refund can be made on such parcels, and the rate of postage applied for the contents may have reached the destination was discovered.

LETTERS.

Some difficulty is experienced in obtaining goods and merchandise sent in a Pattern. It is a tend-fine piece of goods which the sender has for sale, or of gold which he wishes to order. It is to consist of the smallest possible quantity of the article, and never reaching the 100 grains, and must have no intrinsic value.

The following rates of postage (which must be paid in advance) are chargeable on Packets of printed papers or patterns: Light weight, 1 penny; medium weight, 2 pence; heavy weight, 3 pence.

These rates apply to Printed Circulars, Priorities, Maps, Market Reports, and all printed papers other than Newspapers, as well as to Books and Trade Papers or Samples.

Many boxes of letters are received at the Post Office not sealed, that is to say, the box is left open with sealing wax, but there is no impression of seal.

The omission of bookbinders is called to the necessity of carefully sealing each box with some known recognizable seal, and of sending a Child's book or receipt with them. The omission of bookbinders latter precaution leaves a doubt as to whether the contents were ever reached the Post Office; the omission of the former, as to whether the parties therein might not have been absent.

